

# HEROES

## CHAPTER 55

# The Trial of the Black Bear

Takezo Kensei is one of Japan's most beloved historical figures. His tales, based on actual events, have now become a blend of legend and fact. Kensei is recognized for saving his countrymen from a terrible and tyrannical warlord. But how the fabled swordsman accomplished this is still interpreted from many different perspectives...



**T**HE MIGHTY SAMURAI TAKEZO KENSEI MUST FIND THE SECRET LAIR OF THE EVIL WHITE BEARD!

THE TRAIL HAS LED HIM TO A MAP SCROLL... AND ITS LEGENDARY GUARDIAN...

LOOK, HIRO!  
THERE HE IS, THE  
BLACK BEAR OF  
SAKKASHITA!

**9TH WONDERS!**  
MANGA  
CLASSICS  
presents...

**TAKEZO KENSEI** in

# The **TRIAL** of the **BLACK BEAR**

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STAY BACK.  
COVER YOUR  
EYES, LITTLE  
HIRO.

KENSEI!  
CHUFFA CHUFFA! NO!  
WHAT ARE YOU  
SAYING?/?

FLICK


**GLEEN!**





BLACK BEAR OF  
SAKKASHITA! YOU WHO  
GUARD THE LOCATION OF  
WHITE BEARD'S HIDDEN  
FORTRESS!

SURRENDER  
THE SCROLL!



BY DEFEATING  
WHITE BEARD,  
I WILL SURELY WIN  
THE PRINCESS'  
HEART!



SHE WILL  
MAKE ME  
HER...



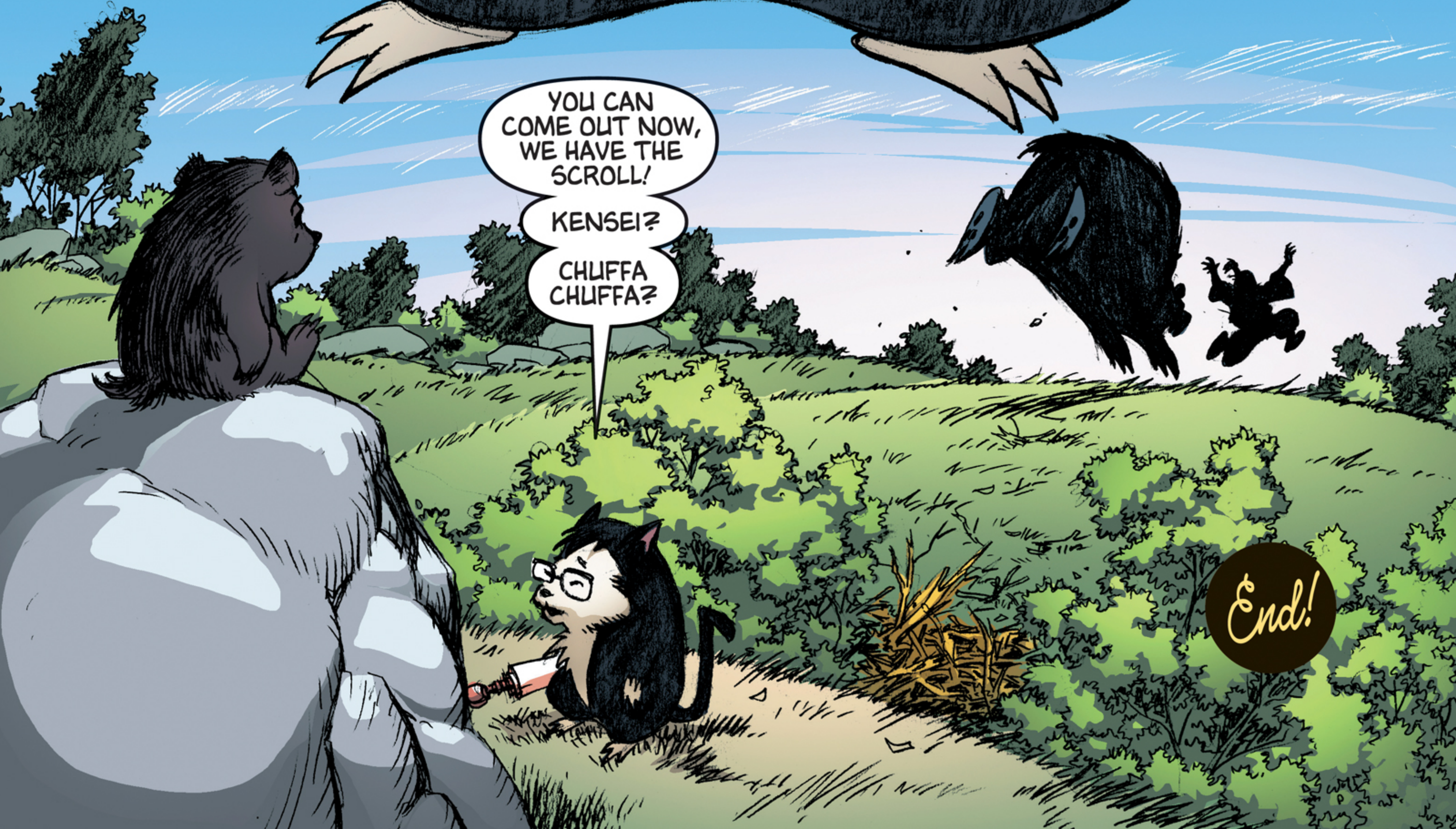
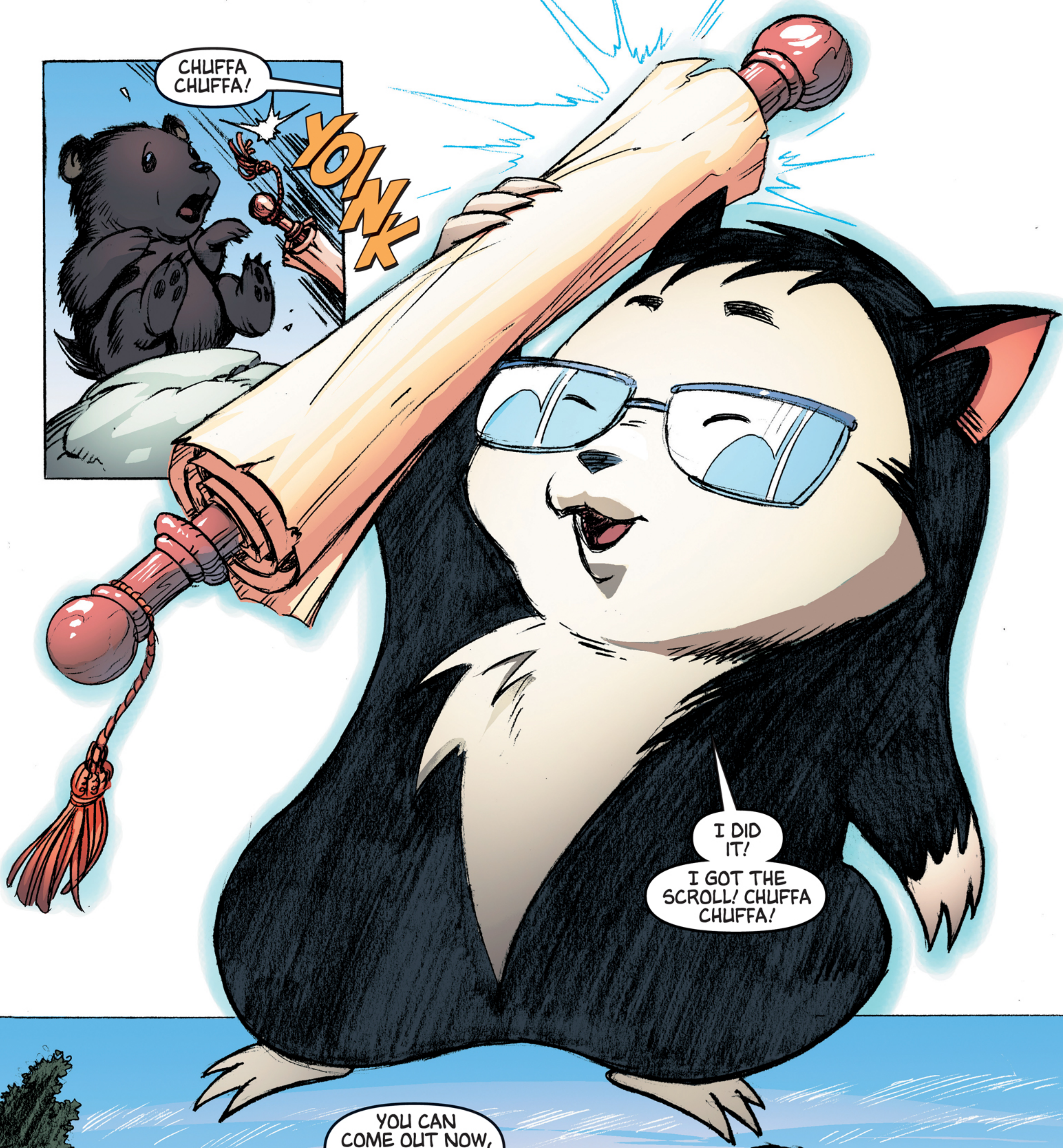












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